Social Bookmarking

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**1.What are some key features of a web-based bookmarking utility that are helpful to teachers who want to share links with students?**

Web-based bookmarking is useful for teachers who want to share links with students because it allows the teacher to set up a folder of predetermined websites for the students to do research. It helps the students to have easy access to the sources, and they will never be able to lose the links like they would have been able to do if they were given on paper. This allows the students to have fast access and to search for other bookmarks within the program that relate to the same tag. Having predetermined websites for the students to research gives the teacher the ability to know what information the students will be able to find and will be able to guide a conversation.

**2. What are some key features of a social bookmarking utility that are helpful to teachers who want to find websites for instructional purposes?**

Social Bookmarking is helpful for teachers who want to find websites for instructional purposes because it allows them to search the site based on tags that other people have linked to. They can also give the teachers helpful information such as how many people have linked to the information that they are considering.

**3. What are the key differences between the two different applications? Consider the method of setting up an account, organizing, and sharing websites. Also consider issues of privacy and suitability for different grade levels.**

Portaportal allows for the grouping of links under a topic which could be helpful for later research and for recalling a certain cite. Delicious has the helpful tool of ranking and tagging information which helps you to see how many people have also tagged the same link and gives you ease in searching for tags.